

FAX TRANSMITTAL COVER SHEET

CONLEY ROSE, P.C.
5700 Granite Parkway, Suite 330
Plano, Texas 75024-6616
Telephone Number: (972) 731-2288
Fax Number: (972) 731-2289

PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING PAGES IMMEDIATELY TO:

NAME: Mail Stop Amendment
Group Art Unit 3641
Examiner Troy Chambers
Commissioner for Patents

FAX: (703) 872.9306

FROM: Albert C. Metrailer (sent by Karen Harris)

DATE: January 13, 2005

RE: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/655,859
Filing Date: September 5, 2003
Atty Docket 2003-IP-010400 (1391-43500)
Response to Office Action mailed December 21, 2004 (2 pages)
Transmittal Cover Sheet (1 page)

Total Number of Pages (Including Cover Page): 4

**IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE ALL THE PAGES,
PLEASE CALL IMMEDIATELY**

This facsimile and the information it contains is intended to be a confidential communication only to the person or entity to whom it is addressed. If you have received this facsimile in error, please notify us by telephone at the above telephone number and return the original to this office by mail.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number

TRANSMITTAL FORM <i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i>		Application Number	10/655,859
		Filing Date	September 5, 2003
		First Named Inventor	John A. Barton
		Group Art Unit	3641
		Examiner Name	Chambers, Troy
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	3	Attorney Docket Number	2003-IP-010400 (1391-43500)

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Technology Center (TC) <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): • Fax Cover Transmittal
Remarks		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT			
Firm Or Individual Name	Albert C. Metrailler, Reg. No. 27,145		
Signature	<i>Albert C. Metrailler</i>		
Date	January 13, 2005		
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING			
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to 703.872.9306, Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner of Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below.			
Typed or Printed Name	Karen A. Harris		
Signature	<i>Karen A. Harris</i>	Date	January 13, 2005

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and selection option 2

Atty Docket: 2003-IP-010400 (1391-43500)

Patent

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: John A. Barton, et al.
Serial No.: 10/655,859
Filed: September 5, 2003
For: HIGH PRESSURE EXPOSED DETONATING
CORD DETONATOR SYSTEM

§
§ Group Art Unit: 3641
§
§ Examiner: Chambers, Troy
§
§ Confirmation No. 7274
§
§

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being
transmitted by facsimile to 703.872.9306 addressed to:
Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O.
Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450 on

January 13, 2005
Date of Transmission
Karen A. Harris
Karen A. Harris


RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2004 with respect to the above-identified application, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-18.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully look forward to the Examiner's substantive action on these claims.
If the Examiner believes it would assist in expediting the application, Applicants welcome a

 Atty Docket: 2003-IP-010400 (1391-43500)

Patent

telephone conference with the Examiner to improve understanding of and resolve any questions or issues of the Examiner.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee connected with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-1515, Conley Rose, P.C.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

1-13-05

Albert C. Mettrailer

Reg. No. 27,145

CONLEY ROSE, P.C.
5700 Granite Parkway, Suite 330
Plano, Texas 75024
Tel: (972) 731-2288
Fax: (972) 731-2289

ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT